IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

CRIMINAL APPLICATION NO.7217 OF 2005

Shamimbanoo H. Godhrawala .. Applicant

Versus

The State of Maharashtra .. Respondent

Mr.S.Y.Katkade for applicant

Mrs.S.D.Shinde, A.P.P. for State.

CORAM : S.C.DHARMADHIKARI, J.

DATE : 10th November 2005.

(Vacation Judge)

P.C.

. Heard Mr.Katkade for applicant and

Mrs.Shinde, A.P.P. for respondent.

2. Mr.Katkade states that the applicant and her husband have two residential apartments in their name. He states that the applicant is a house wife. She was unaware of the fact that the meter recording electric consumption has been allegedly tampered with. It is his contention that for the offences under section 135(1) of the Electricity Act, 2003, the husband of the applicant was arrested and produced before the regular court. He is now enlarged on bail. Mr.Katkade also brings to my notice the fact that outstanding amount is quantified at Rs.1,92,000/- which the husband has been directed to deposit within a period of four weeks. In these circumstances, he prays that the applicant deserves to be granted anticipatory bail. Mrs.Shinde, learned A.P.P. does not dispute that the husband of the applicant came to be arrested on 24th October 2005 and is presently enlarged on

bail. Therefore, in the circumstances, the applicant is entitled to the reliefs as claimed in the application. Accordingly, it is directed that in the event of arrest of applicant in respect of the offence registered under Special L.A.C. No.24 of 2005, she shall be released on bail on the condition that she shall cooperate with the investigation and shall attend Versova police station as and when necessary. Applicant shall deposit photocopies of her passport with the I.O. Application disposed of.

(S.C.DHARMADHIKARI, J)